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Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed May 14, 2004, Applicant submits the following Amendment and Response.

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Amendments are being made to claims 10, 13 and 18 to correct typing mistakes. However, these amendments should not narrow any part of the application within the meaning of the holding of Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kinzouku Kogyo Kabushinik Co. 535 U.S. 722 (2002) or any other court decision relating to the Doctrine of Equivalents. The amendments are also not intended to surrender any equivalents whatsoever under the Doctrine of Equivalents.

In the CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 3, 5, 10, 12, 13, 16-18.

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